(d) whether it has come to the notice of Government that people in border area are not getting adequate foodgrains ?

Sri D Devaraj Urs (Chief Minister),—

(a) 348.

(b) Foodgrains are being supplied to the labourers at work spot through authorised dealers and departmental concerns under whom the work is being executed. Besides fair price shops have been opened on the work spot wherever necessary.

(c) 89.

(d) No.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

(i) re : reported. Stetement of the Ministers about the Hogenekal hydro-electric Project in Cauvery Basin

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA (SAGAR).—Madam, I call the attention of the Minister fo Public Works and Electricity to the reported statement smade by the Minister for Public Works and Electricity and the Minister of State for Major Irrigation about the Hogenekal Hydro-electric Project in Cauvery Basin.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—(Minister for Public Works and Electricity) Madam Speaker, In response to the Calling Attention Notiee of the hon. Member Sri Kagod Thimmappa, I Wish to make the following statement.

The Planning Commission has accepted the proposal for advance action on Fifth Plan Survey and Investigation of hydro-electric projects and accordingly provision has been made during the current year for financial assistance to the States for the purpose. The State Government felt it necessary to take up additional hydro-electric projects in the State to meet the present power shortage conditions. Accordingly, the work of survey and investigation has been taken up on a few hydro-electric projects and a special post of Adviser to Government on Power has been created for that purpose. Particulars in respect of the projects whic are likely to be taken up for investigation have been forwarded to the Government of India for Central assistance. In the light of this development, the possibility of conducting investigation in the Hogenekal hydro-electric project in the Cauvery basin is being considered and accordingly a statement was made by me in my Press Conference that such a proposal is under consideration.

(SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA)

Taking up investigation of a hydro-electric Project does not mean the implementation of the project itself. If the investigation reveals that there will not be adequate water for power generation after meeting the needs of irrigation in the area, such a proposal will not be pursued. The matter will be examined in the light of the investigation report. It may be pointed out that generally irrigation needs will have priority over power needs.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಗೋಡು ತಿಮ್ಮಪ್ಪ : ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಇದನ್ನು ಇನ್‌ವೆಸ್ಟಿಗೇಷನ್ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾ ಇದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದ ವರ್ತಮಾನದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಮೈಸೂರು ರಾಜ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ಪ್ರಮಾಣದ ನೀರು ಸಿಕ್ಕುತ್ತದೆಂದು ತಾವು ಅಂದಾಜು ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ? ಇಲ್ಲಿಯವರೆಗೆ ಉಪಯೋಗಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ನೀರಿನ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಎಷ್ಟು ? ನಮ್ಮಲ್ಲಿ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಯೋಜನೆಗಳು ಏನು ಇವೆ ಅವಕ್ಕೆ ಬೇಕಾದಂಥ ನೀರು ಎಷ್ಟು ಎನ್ನುವುದನ್ನು ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ಸರ್ವೆ ಮಾಡಿ ವಿಷಯ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ ? ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಈ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರದಮುಂದೆ ತಂದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ಕೈಕೊಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ ? ಅಥವಾ ಏಕಾಏಕಿಯಾಗಿ ಹೇಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚೆನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ : ಕಾವೇರಿ ನದಿ ನೀರಿನ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ವಿವಾದವಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ೧೯೬೧ರಿಂದೀಚೆಗೆ ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಮೈಸೂರಿನ ಭಾಗವಷ್ಟು ಬರುತ್ತದೆ ಮತ್ತು ಎಷ್ಟು ನೀರಾವರಿ ಯೋಜನೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಹಾಕಿ ಹೇಳಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಮೊದಲು ಕಾವೇರಿ ನೀರಿನ ವಿಷಾದ ಇತ್ಯರ್ಥವಾಗಬೇಕು. ಎಲ್ಲೆಲ್ಲಿ ಎಷ್ಟೆಷ್ಟು ವಿದ್ಯುಚ್ಛಕ್ತಿ ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆ ಆಗಬೇಕೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ಯೋಜನೆಮಾಡಿ ಹೇಳಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಗೋಡು ತಿಮ್ಮಪ್ಪ : ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಾವು ಈ ಒಂದು ಯೋಜನೆಯಿಂದ ೮೦೦ ನುಗೊ ವಾಟ್ಸ್ ವಿದ್ಯುಚ್ಛಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ತಮ್ಮ ಈಗಿನ ಹೇಳಿಕೆಯು ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ವಿರುದ್ಧವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ನೀರಾವರಿ ರಾಜ್ಯಸಚಿವರ ಹೈಳಿಕೆಯನ್ನೂ ಸಹ ನಾನು ನೋಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ೮೦೦ ಮಿ ವಾಟ್ಸ್ ವಿದ್ಯುಚ್ಛಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿರುವಾಗ, ನಮಗೆ ಅಲ್ಲಿಂದ ನೀರು ಎಷ್ಟು ಸಿಗುತ್ತದೆಂದು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮಾಡಿಲ್ಲವೇ ? ಆದರೆ ಈಗ ಈ ರೀತಿಯಾಗಿ ಹೇಳಿಕೆ ಕೊಡುವುದು ಸರಿಯೇ ? ತಪ್ಪೆ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ : ತಪ್ಪಲ್ಲ ನಾನು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇ ಕರೆಕ್ಟ್ ೧೯೬೧ನೇ ಇಸವಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊಗೇನಕಲ್ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟ್‌ನ ವಿಚಾರ ಬಂದಾಗ ನೀರಿನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಬಂದಿತ್ತು ಆಗ ಮದ್ರಾಸಿನವರು ಒಂದು ಅಂದಾಜು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರು. ಆಗಲೇ ಎಷ್ಟು ನೀರನ್ನು ಉಪಯೋಗ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡರೆ ಅಷ್ಟು ವಿದ್ಯುಚ್ಛಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಸರಬರಾಜು ಮಾಡಬಹುದೆಂದುದನ್ನು ಅವರೇ ಹೇಳಿದರು. ೮ಲಕ್ಷ ಕಿಲೋವಾಟ್ಸ್ ಪವರ್‌ನ್ನು ಆ ನೀರಿನಿಂದ ಉತ್ಪನ್ನಮಾಡಬಹುದೆಂದು ಒಂದು ಅಂದಾಜು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರು. ಅದೇ ನೀರನ್ನು ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಉಪಯೋಗ ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಮೈಸೂರು ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ೧೧ ೧/೨ ಲಕ್ಷ ಕಿಲೋವಾಟ್ಸ್‌ನ್ನು ಉತ್ಪನ್ನಮಾಡಬಹುದು ಅಂದರೆ ಅದರ ಪೊಟೆನಿಯಲ್ ತಿಳಿಸಬಹುದು. ಎಷ್ಟು ಉತ್ಪನ್ನವಾಗುತ್ತದೋ ಅಷ್ಟು ನೀರು ಸಿಗುತ್ತದೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ಅಂಕಿ ಅಂಶಗಳ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಅವರೇ ಹೇಳಬೇಕಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ನೀರು ಎಲ್ಲಿ ಎಷ್ಟು ಸಿಗುತ್ತದೆಂಬುದರ ಮೇಲೆ ವಿದ್ಯುಚ್ಛಕ್ತಿ ಉತ್ಪಾದನೆಯನ್ನು ಅಂದಾಜುಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಾಗೋಡು ತಿಮ್ಮಪ್ಪ : ಈ ಒಂದು ಯೋಜನೆಯಿಂದ ನಮಗೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ನೀರು ಉಳಿಯುತ್ತದೆಂಬುದನ್ನು ಹೇಳಬೇಕು.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA,—Therefore, the hon. member must please understand that what I have mentioned is the total potential, on the basis of what the Madras Government in 1961 calculated. They calculated the quantum of power that could be developed by utilising certain amount of water, which, according to them was

available. Using the same water it is possible in Mysore to develop 11½ lakh Kwts. of power. That is the potential. But the actual development will depend upon how much head is there. As to how much power we will be able to develop at the head depends on the quantum of water that will become available.

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA.—As per the statistics available on the Government record, the State Minister for Irrigation has made a public statement.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I am sorry, the hon. member is on the wrong premises The State Minister did not make a public press people have stated their own version. I have looked into it, I have got the statement before me and I am speaking on facts. The press version probably extended their imagination and made a statement.

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA.—What is your comment ?

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Why should I make a comment on somebody else's statement ?

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA.—He is not somebody.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The State Minister for Irrigation has not made a public statement. I will read it out if the hon. member wants. If the press publishes certain things as having reached them in some manner, I am not prepared to make a statement on that. I am making a categorical statement that he has not made a public statement.

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA.—Is it not a fact that he has written a letter to the Chief Minister ?

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Writing a letter to the Chief Minister is not a public statement. I do not know whether he has written a letter or not. Even supposing he has written a letter, it is not a public statement.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಸ್. ಸಿದ್ದಪ್ಪ.—ತಮ್ಮ ಹತ್ತಿರ ಅವರು ಅರೆದಂಥ ಕಾಗದವಿದ್ದರೆ ಅದನ್ನು ಓದುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂದೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ.—ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳಾದ ಹೊನ್ನ ಶ್ರೀ ನಂಜೇ ಗೌಡರು ಇಲ್ಲಿಯೇ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅವರು ಹೇಳಲಿ.

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I am seized of the matter. I am the minister in charge of the question and therefore the hon. member need not worry I am competent to meet the arguments and able to meet the points. Mere writing of a letter to the Chief Minister is not a public statement. I am not here to take cognizance of whatever is stated in the paper and answer that point.

SRI KAGODU THIMMAPPA.—When one of the ministers makes a statement, are you not bound to answer ?

SRI H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I am making a categorical statement that there is no statement.

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ದೇವರಾಜ್ ಆರಸ್.—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಅದು ಸ್ಟೇಟ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಅಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿ ತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅವರು ಅದಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ ಮೇಲೆ ಇವರು ಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಪ್ರೂವ್ ಮಾಡಿ ಹೇಳಲಿ.

(ii) Re: Burning of Houses of Se's people tn Tumkur Village in Shahapur Taluk.

SRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE (Gurmitkal).—I call the attention of the Chief Minister to the burning of houses of scheduled castes people in Tumkoor village in Shahapur Taluk.

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS.—I wish to make the following statement:—

Tumkur is a factions village in Shapur Taluk, Gulbarga District having 2 parties. One party is led by Mahipal Reddy and other by Venkat Reddy. Both of them are Lingayats. Most of the Harijans are the followers of Mahipal Reddy.

On 30th July 1973 one Bannappa, the Gumasta, Hannappa (Harijan) the servant of Venkat Reddy and Sabanna, a follower of Venkat Reddy went to the house of Hatkal Thimmappa, Harijan and demanded Rs. 50/- which he had taken as a loan from Venkat Reddy. When they could not recover the amount, they took Hatkal Thimmappa to Venkat Reddy's house and informed him that he would not be freed unless the amount was paid. In the meanwhile, about 40 Harijans gathered at the house of Venkat Reddy and started pelting stones on his house. Seeing this, the supporters of Venkat Reddy released Hatkal Thimmappa, After this, Bannappa and others went to Harijan Keri and assaulted one Mariyappa with axe and sticks, set fire to the hut of Rangappa (Harijan) and 4 houses belonging to Harijans and also assaulted other Harijans. In all, 11 Harijans were injured in the incident.

Immediately after receipt of information, Police rushed to the village and took measures to maintain Law and Order in the village. It is a case of party faction in which Harijans were involved on both the sides. The situation was immediately brought under control and necessary protection was afforded to the Harijans.

In this connection, in all 3 cases have been registered. On the complaint of Mariyappa S/o Venkappa (Harijan) a case in Cr. No. 15/73 u/s 147, 149, 324, 326 and 436 IPC has been registered in Wadgera Police Section against Bannappa and 21 others On the complaint of Prabhu (Harijan) another case in Wadgera Police Station Cr. No. 16/73 u/s 342 and 347 IPC has been registered against Bannappa and 2 others.